

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Enrique Zudaire Ubani et al.

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PETITION FOR 3-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition for a 3-Month Extension of Time in which to respond to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed October 12, 2006, extending the period for response to April 12, 2007.

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

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- Applicants petition for an additional Extension of Time if necessary for timely filing of this petition and enclosures.

Respectfully submitted,

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